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TITLE: POSITIVELY RETAINED CAP FOR USE ON AN ENCAPSULATED ANCHOR OF A POST-TENSION ANCHOR SYSTEM

Amendment A: SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please see the attached Marked Up Copy and Substitute Copy for the amendments to the specification. The Marked Up Copy and Substitute Copy pages are submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.113 152, 1.121(b)(3) and 1.125. The description of the views of the drawings has been amended.

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Revise paragraph [0043] on pages 10 and 11 as follows:

As can be seen in FIGURE 2, the cap 62 has a generally tubular portion 76 having a closed end 78 and an open end 80. The flanged ~~portion~~ end 64 extends outwardly adjacent to the open end 80. As can be ~~see~~ seen, the flanged end 64 has an outer periphery that is engaged within the notch 66 formed in the rigid ring 58. An elastomeric seal 82 is positioned within a grooves formed on the flanged end 64 of the cap 62 so as to establish a liquid-tight sealing relationship with the inner wall of the rigid ring 58.

Revise paragraph [0047] on page 12 as follows:

In FIGURE 3, the end of the end 94 of rigid ring 58 is tapered inwardly. This inwardly tapered end surface facilitates the ability to place the lip within the notch 66. The tapering of ~~surface~~ end 94 acts a funnel so as to urge the lip 88 into the notch 66. The flanged end 64 of the cap 62 is suitably deformable so as to allow the periphery 84 deform sufficiently so that the lip 88 can enter the notch 66. The lip 88 will have a flat outer surface so as to fit flush against the inner wall of the notch 66. Once the cap 62 is installed within the notch 66, in the manner shown in FIGURE 3, cap 62 becomes unremovable therefrom. Additionally, and simultaneously, the elastomeric seal 82 will establish a positive liquid-tight sealing relationship with the inner wall 92 of ring 58.

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